

District 12 Newsletter

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Step Ten

Made direct amends to such people, wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.



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Don't Drink

One Day At A Time

Ask For Help

Go To Meetings

And CHANGE

By Dave G., Zion, IL

Step 10– Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.

Living the A.A. way day by day, trying to keep in emotional balance has been a valuable lesson. By learning to stop and think about what I'm going to say. I avoid arguments and have a more peaceful spirit. I now can see how the earlier steps have been vital to practicing this step. They have increasingly worked for me to increase my humility. As I review my day I am able to keep my personal inventory and this helps me not to become over emotional. Today I don't focus on how the world has treated me but on how I have treated the world. This helps me to look for progress not perfection. Today I am kind to others. This enables me to focus on my goal help people today and yes be kind to people today. This goal helps me to eliminate having to make amends for things that I should never have said to start with. I have also learned just as it says in the Big Book the spiritual life is not a theory we have to live it. As God's people we stand on our own feet we do not crawl before anyone. Thanks to our Big Book and our Twelve and Twelve I have learned to try and be God conscious and to make use of what religious people offer. Also, I have learned that Thy will be done. Yes it does really work, because **I AM AN UNDISCIPLINED ALCOHOLIC** and Faith without works is dead. I am very grateful for my Sponsor, my Higher Power God, and to all my fellow A.A.'s out there so I will keep coming back.

ATTENTION **CHICAGO OPEN**

September 22, 2012 **Bus leaves Waukegan Alano Club @ 4:30 pm**
Cost is \$15.00 **Pizza at Club after Open**
Will return back home around 10:30 pm

DISTRICT 10 & 12 FALL BREAKFAST

OPEN A.A. SPEAKER MEETING

50/50 RAFFLE

WHEN: SUNDAY OCTOBER 28

**TIME: 8:00 AM COFFEE - 9:00
BREAKFAST**

**WHERE: MILAN BANQUET
HALL
651 LAKEHURST RD.
WAUKEGAN, IL 60085**



847-578-9000

SPEAKER: AGNES T., CHICAGO, IL

PRICE: \$16.00

Tradition 10

“Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the A.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy.” Never since it began has A.A. been divided by a major controversial issue. Nor has our Fellowship ever publicly taken sides on any question in an embattled world. This, however, has been no earned virtue. It could almost be said that we were born with it, for, as one old timer recently declared, “Practically never have I heard a heated religious, political, or reform argument among A.A. members. So long as we don’t argue these matters privately, it’s a cinch we never shall publicly.”

Get Ready For
2012 NIA Big Book Conference

October 20th, 2012
@ University of St. Mary of the Lake
1000 E. Maple Ave, Mundelein, IL

New Meeting

ZB Alano Club
228 Sheridan Rd., Winthrop Harbor
Sundays at 4:30

Please come and give your support



God Grant me the Serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference

“GOD, I OFFER MYSELF TO THEE TO BUILD WITH ME AND TO DO WITH ME AS THOU WILT. RELIEVE ME OF THE BONDAGE OF SELF, THAT I MAY BETTER DO THY WILL. TAKE AWAY MY DIFFICULTIES, THAT VICTORY OVER THEM MAY BEAR WITNESS TO THOSE I WOULD HELP OF THY POWER, THY LOVE, AND THY WAY OF LIFE. MAY I DO THY WILL ALWAYS!”

E v e n t s & A n n o u n c e m e n t s

Hey Everybody!

Did you lose the **Bunch O Nuts**....

Cause Guess What?!

We found them and they miss you...

St. Marks Lutheran Church

Yorkhouse and Delany

7 pm on Tuesdays

Still Need Help

Lake County Work Release Program

2nd Thursday and 3rd Tuesday

at 7:15 pm.

It's really great service work!

WE ARE IN NEED OF WOMEN

Please call Chris for more information.

Chris M. 224-441-0454

Big Book Meeting

Monday 6:00 pm

Meadow Ridge Church

Rt 173 and Green Bay Rd.

Zion

Please Bring Your Big Book

Jail Volunteers Needed

For more Info contact:

Kathy

847-212-3615

Looking for a Sponsor/Sponsee?

Join us at the

ATP Sponsorship Panel

1st and 3rd Saturday of each month 12:45pm

Female sponsors needed!

Addictions Treatment Program

3002 Grand Avenue

Waukegan, IL 60085

District 12 Meeting

Third Sunday of every month at 4:00PM at Vista Medical Center West, 2615 Washington Street, Waukegan, Illinois 60085. All alcoholics are welcome and group GSRs are strongly encouraged to attend.

GET READY!!!!

23rd Annual McHenry's Soberfest

November 16-18, 2012

Grand Geneva Resort

Lake Geneva, WI

AA Conference, Banquet, Dance, Alcahons, Panels, Step Workshops, Literature, Archives, Meditation Room

Register online: www.soberfest.org

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

12 STEP WORK

St. Terese Psych Unit Meeting

Sunday 10 am Tues 7 pm

Sponsor Panel

1st and 3rd Saturdays 12:45 til 2 pm

Drug Court

1:30 pm Fridays Court 202

9:00 am Fridays Court 307

Contact: Frank M. 847-336-2775

COMING SOON YOUNG FOLKS WILL BE NEEDED TO TALK TO YOUNG PEOPLE!!!!

Step Study

Wednesdays @ 7 pm

St. Mark's Church

Yorkhouse & Delany Rd., Wkgn.

New Time & Place!

The District 12 Open Speaker Breakfast Vic-tory Hospital

(also known as Vista Medical Center East)

Cost: \$7.00

Start time is 8:30 AM

1st Sunday of every month

THE MAN IN THE ARENA

CITIZENSHIP IN A REPUBLIC

"The Man In The Arena"

Speech at the Sorbonne

Paris, France

April 23, 1910



The Famous Quote

It is not the critic who counts; not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles, or where the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly; who errs, who comes short again and again, because there is no effort without error and shortcoming; but who does actually strive to do the deeds; who knows great enthusiasms, the great devotions; who spends himself in a worthy cause; who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who neither know victory nor defeat.

The District 12 Newsletter needs your help!

All alcoholics are welcome to contribute. We are happy to publish your recovery-related stories, poems, artwork, etc.

Send submissions to lakecountydistrict12aa@gmail.com

A.A. Contacts

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If you are interested in one of the positions listed as OPEN, please contact an officer.

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